

Remarks

This is a Response to the Official Action dated March 21, 2006.

Claims 26-30 and 32 are currently pending in the Application.

Non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,697,075

Claims 26-30 and 32 stand rejected in view a non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection as being unpatentable over Claims 1-22 of U.S. Patent No. 6,697,075.

In the interest of moving this application to issue, Applicants enclose a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c).

Non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection in view of U.S. Patent No. 6,850,212

Claims 26-30 stand rejected in view a non-statutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection as being unpatentable over Claims 8-26 and 32-38 of U.S. Patent No. 6,850,212.

In the interest of moving this application to issue, Applicants enclose a Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c).

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Conclusion

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of all the claims are respectfully solicited.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required or credit overpayment to deposit account no. 08-2025. In particular, if this response is not timely filed, then the Commissioner is authorized to treat this response as including a petition to extend the time period pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136 (a) requesting an extension of time of the number of months necessary to make this response timely filed and the petition fee due in connection therewith may be charged to deposit account no. 08-2025.

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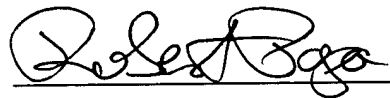
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Enclosures:

- Two Terminal Disclaimers
- Petition for Extension (in duplicate)
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